

FEEDS PRISONERS

That Is One of Henry Allen's Duties Abroad.

He Writes Topekan of His New War Work.

PART OF THE TIME IN THE FIELD

He Also Does Work in Paris and Switzerland.

Paris Paper Explains Big Task of Kansan.

The American Red Cross is going to see to it that American soldiers captured by the Germans have sufficient food. Henry Allen of Wichita, now at work in France and Switzerland organizing this branch of the service of the Red Cross. Here are some extracts from a letter received from Henry Allen this week by a Topeka friend:

"I have been to the field for a week and have seen some of our men. They are all fit, happy and organized in a way to make you proud. I am going back to the field again tomorrow. Half of my time is to be spent in the field with the men, getting the organization in shape, and the other half directing the progress of the work here, in Paris, London and in Switzerland. We are now perfecting arrangements for feeding the prisoners of our army in Germany, and I think I have opened a perfectly adequate line of communication, thru which every prisoner in Germany will receive two ten-pound packages of food each week. The Red Cross is filling a great warehouse in Bern, Switzerland, from which these food supplies are sent into German prison camps."

French Paper Praises.
The following is a clipping from a Paris newspaper regarding the work Henry Allen is doing in France for the Red Cross:

"To take charge of activities which will touch every American camp, every soldier in a hospital, every prisoner taken to Germany, every American grave in France and the home of every soldier in America, the American Red Cross has formed an organization to be called the Soldier's Bureau of Home Communication. Henry J. Allen of Kansas, has been placed in charge."

"There are to be four sections in the bureau. One for the missing and prisoners is equipped to search for missing men and discover their fate, whether they fell in No Man's Land, disappeared in bombing operations or were taken prisoners to Germany. The section of sick, wounded and dead will have for its purpose the sending home of information touching the men who cannot do their own writing. There will also be a section of grave photography which will provide photographs to be sent to the next of kin in America. It is intended that the Red Cross will attempt to place upon each grave a small enameled marker to remain there as an identification of the grave until the government places upon it a permanent marker. The fourth section is the emergency welfare bureau to form a connecting link between the American soldier in France and his home in America. If a

soldier either in camp or hospital has lost touch with his home or is worried about the welfare of his family, the section can comfort him with the assurance that the matter has been taken up with the home service department of the Red Cross chapter where his family lives. This bureau will also act as a means of communication for all families in America who have not heard from their soldiers and are concerned about their welfare."

How the boys on their way to the front enjoy the canteen service of the Red Cross, and how the Red Cross ladies the boys appreciate the service is told in the following letter from a woman whose son is now in France:

"How can I send my thanks, dear, sincere, heartfelt thanks, to a woman in — who on the morning of 25th, stood in the cold and gave my boy a cup of coffee and some sandwiches as the — engineers marched from a troop train to their transport?"

"He writes me: 'We had reveille at 12:30 a. m. and left camp at 3:30. Entrained at 5 o'clock and were on our transports at 8:30. At the transport dock, about six Red Cross ladies met us with hot coffee and big baskets of sandwiches. Tasted pretty good after our train ride and march thru the cold.'"

"Oh, thank you, thank you, dear 'Red Cross lady,' and as I write this, I think of all the other women who, too, thank you and mean the same. Perhaps you have been too busy to think of anything but the boys themselves and the comfort you might give them, but you have refreshed many a lonely, anxious heart at home besides cheering on their way those dear boys, many of whom left American soil that morning never to return."

"Whoever you are, I shall remember you always and pray God to return to you in some way the comfort your kindness has given to me."

The auction sale for the benefit of the Junior Red Cross to be held on the state house grounds next Saturday, April 27, promises to be a big affair. Already many donations of salable articles have been promised. R. E. Murphy of Topeka has volunteered his services as the auctioneer. The sale will start at 10 o'clock Saturday morning. The receipts will all go to the Junior Red Cross and will be used to purchase supplies for the children of the schools of Topeka and Shawnee county to work upon during the summer months. The children already have made many hundreds of garments for the refugee children of France and Belgium and they are now out of materials.

NEW R. C. BUILDING

Contract Let for Construction of \$24,000 Structure at Ft. Riley.

Camp Funston, Kan., April 20.—A contract for the construction of a Red Cross house at the base hospital, Fort Riley, has been let to the Army Civil Construction Co. of Junction City, Mo. The building will be finished about the first of June and when completed with furniture and equipment, will cost from \$22,000 to \$24,000. It will be connected by corridors with a number of the new hospital barracks and will be for the use of convalescent patients and their visiting friends. The building is one of about twenty which are now being constructed by the Red Cross in the various cantonnements. It will be in the form of a Greek cross with outside dimensions 100 feet each way.

OUT IN DEFENSE

Charles Sessions Supports Capper Against Clark Charge.

Points Out Proofs of the Governor's Loyalty to Hughes.

WHEAT AND ADAMSON LAW

This, With Peace Cry, Won for Wilson in State, He Says.

Capper-Stubbs Conflict Is Being Fought With Shock Troops.

Charles H. Sessions, chairman of the Republican state committee during the 1916 presidential campaign, today emphatically denied the statements of George A. Clark to the effect that Governor Capper was responsible for the loss of this state to Wilson. It was not the governor's selfish ambition to win votes, Sessions states, but the "he kept us out of war" cry, \$1.75 wheat and the Adamson law, that won the state for Wilson.

Sessions gives credit to Clark for his aid in the campaign of two years ago. But as chairman of the state committee, Sessions declares he is in possession of facts concerning the campaign. These facts he states, show that both Governor Capper and his paper gave loyal support to Charles Evans Hughes, Republican presidential nominee. Sessions recently resigned as chairman of the state committee, following his appointment to a place on the public utilities commission by Governor Capper. The records of the campaign, however, are in his possession, and with these records he lifts from the governor's shoulders the responsibility for the defeat of Hughes in Kansas.

Sessions's Statement.
The Sessions reply follows:

"As chairman of the Republican state committee during the last campaign, I feel it would be a gross injustice to Governor Capper if I let go unchallenged the claim made in a recent statement issued by George A. Clark that the governor was responsible for the loss of Kansas going for Wilson."

"Mr. Clark and I have been close personal friends for twenty-five years, and we shall continue to be even though we may differ sometimes as to candidates for office. In the last campaign he rendered me valuable aid, not only in raising funds but with his counsel and advice, and I am glad to acknowledge that fact. He has a perfect right to name Governor Stubbs's senatorial campaign and I take no exception to his political preferences. But the part of his statement which I do challenge is his attempt to lay on the governor's shoulders alone, the responsibility for Kansas going for Wilson. I know that is not true."

"He kept us out of war," \$1.75 wheat and the Adamson law carried them. When it became apparent that there was danger of the women voters going to Wilson, Governor Capper had me mail a personal letter from him to 7,000 prominent and active Kansas women—urging them as a personal favor to him to make every possible effort to carry Kansas for Hughes. He made no mention of his own candidacy in this letter. I know this letter was a great help."

"As a matter of course, Governor Capper discussed the election in his campaign speeches. His administration had been criticized in the Democratic state platform. His opponent abroad the Democrats had been assailing the record of the state administration and it was due the Republicans of the state that he defend it, but he always made an appeal for the Republican party and the Republican national, congressional and legislative tickets."

Square Deal, He Says.
"The day before election Governor Capper sent out thru the Associated Press and had printed in the Kansas City and Topeka papers a special appeal for the election of Hughes. In that appeal he made no reference to his own candidacy but devoted it to a statement of reasons why the voters of Kansas should vote for the Republican nominee for president."

"The plain truth is, it was a landslide for Wilson through the aid of Capper carried Kansas because he had made a good governor and the people thought he was entitled to a second term. Wilson carried Kansas and every western state because the people were fooled by the 'kept us out of war' camouflage and issues mentioned above. Without malice towards anyone I am simply giving these facts in the interests of Kansas political history."

Little Girl (to aunt who is staying in the house on a visit): Are you going out, auntie? You've got a role in your veil.
Aunt—Have I? I'm afraid I haven't time to change it now.
Little Girl—Oh, well, it's not a very big one, and, after all, I don't suppose anyone will know you're my aunt.

Kansas for Wilson, and everybody knows it.

"Governor Capper did everything in his power to elect Hughes. No other Republican was harder for the Republican presidential nominee. But as popular as he was with the people, Governor Capper was unable to hold in line enough Republicans who had been swept off their feet by the specious plea of the Democrats, to carry Kansas for Hughes."

Capper Publicity Liberal.
"Mr. Clark says the governor's paper, the Topeka Capital, did not give loyal support to the party. As a matter of fact, the Capital printed 114 leading editorials for Hughes. In addition to this, there were numerous editorial paragraphs and more than 500 columns of news matter directly in the interest of Hughes. The fact is, no newspaper in Kansas or any other state gave the Republican nominee for president heartier or more constant support from start to finish."

"There are 700 newspapers in Kansas. Not a line appeared in any newspaper throughout the entire 1916 campaign intimating that Governor Capper had not given his best support to Hughes."

"There are 2,300 members of the Republican county central committees in Kansas. Not one, so far as I can recall, ever raised a question throughout the entire 1916 campaign intimating that Governor Capper had not given his best support to Hughes."

An Original Hughes Man.
"In the first place, Governor Capper was an original Hughes man. His newspaper, the Capital, strongly urged Governor Hughes for the Republican presidential nomination, when Mr. Clark, myself and other Republicans too numerous to mention preferred other Republican candidates. Had it not been for Governor Capper it is doubtful if Hughes would have had the Kansas delegation at the Chicago convention. This is common knowledge to all. More than this, I know that months before the Chicago convention, when there was doubt as to whether Governor Hughes would be nominated, or would accept the nomination if tendered it, Governor Capper wrote him a strong personal letter urging him to stand for the presidential nomination and pledging him his loyal support."

"When Governor Capper opened his campaign in Doniphan county in August, 1916, the first part of that speech was devoted to Governor Hughes as the ideal leader of a re-election of Hughes in the event of his election. Besides advocating the election of Hughes in every subsequent speech, Governor Capper caused to be printed and circulated in Kansas as a campaign document, 50,000 copies of this opening speech for Hughes."

Out for State Committee.
"At Governor Capper's request the state central committee used him extensively in the six congressional districts which were at that time represented by Democrats. In every speech in those districts he not only urged Hughes's election but made a special appeal in behalf of the Republican nominee for congress, urging the voters to elect Kansas congressmen who would back up a Republican president. This appeal by Governor Capper was printed in more than 200 Republican newspapers in the districts, and each of the Republican candidates—Harker, Simmons, Little, Benton, Miller and others—expressed their appreciation of the help given them."

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DRESS

By Anne Rittenhouse

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Dark Blue Serge Has Not Been Relegated to a Position of Minor Importance in the Spring Clothes, for It Has Proved Its Worth as a Warm-Fabric.

New York.—Whenever the rumor goes out that dark blue serge is not to be in first fashion, there is a feeling of fretfulness among women. Their discontent pervades the spring air.

No historian of clothes has arisen to explain why millions of women throughout the decades have found a genuine contentment in blue serge, which they attribute to no other fabric of color. Gray is neutral, so is beige, but neither of these shades

fills a woman's wardrobe thruout the major portion of her life, as does blue serge.

Even men are a bit more fickle with their own particular brand of color than their feminine companions. A woman feels that when she starts out on a secure foundation of dark blue and serge weave, she can build as she wishes. There is satisfaction in this.

White is not the only color that goes against blue with good result. Pink, light blue, artillery red, gray, yellow and cream may be splashed against a dark blue surface in small quantities, without injuring the effect.

Batiste Embroidery With Serge.
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The cattle, 73 in number, were shipped to Harveyville by express at a cost of over \$400 per car.

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They have just completed a new modern dairy barn at a cost of over \$6,000 and it so happened that the first cattle to be put in this barn was this great array of A. R. O. cows and heifers. It will be remembered that this same firm only a short time ago paid \$10,000 for the herd sire, Fairmont Johanna Pieterje 78903 to be used on their pure bred cows and heifers. Over 450 head in herd.

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